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Chief Section of Administration Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

Contract C-7181

Dear Section Chief,

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Memorandum of Lease, dated as of January 25, 2010, a primary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The name and address of the party to the enclosed document are:

Lessor:

American Railcar Leasing LLC

620 North Second Street St. Charles, Missouri 63301

[Lessee:

Ascend Performance Materials LLC

400 Park Avenue

Suite 810

New York, NY 10022]

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

20 railcars: SHPX 201556 - SHPX 201575

A short summary of the document to appear in the index is:

Memorandum of Lease.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$41.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W Alvord

RWA/sem Enclosures

MEMORANDUM OF LEASE

This Memorandum of Lease is prepared and filed by American Railcar Leasing LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, on behalf of (i) itself as lessor and/or as assignee of ACF Industries, Incorporated, ACF Industries LLC, American Railcar Industries, Inc., and/or ACF Acceptance LLC as the sole member of various ACF Acceptance entities, and/or (ii) as manager for one or more of the following affiliated lessors: ARI First LLC, ARI Second LLC, ARI Third LLC, ARL II Funding LLC and Shippers Third LLC, all with respect to Ascend Performance Materials LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company ("Lessee").

American Railcar Leasing LLC (as assignor or lessor, herein, "Lessor") and Lessee have entered into that certain Contract as identified on Schedule A (as amended, changed, assigned, modified and supplemented from time to time, together with any schedules and exhibits thereto, the "Lease"), pursuant to which Lessee leased the railcars listed on Schedule A attached hereto from Lessor on the terms and conditions set forth therein, and from time to time may lease other railcars bearing the reporting marks SHPX and/or ACFX.

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This Memorandum of Lease is prepared for registration purposes and is not intended to amend the terms and conditions of the Lease

AMERICAN RAILCAR LEASING LLC

Name: Brian Evdo

Title: VP - Business Development

STATE OF MISSOURI) ss.
COUNTY OF ST. CHARLES)

On this day of <u>Jan. 2010</u>, before me, personally appeared Brian Evdo, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he resides at St. Charles, Missouri and is the VP – Business Development of American Railcar Leasing LLC, that said instrument was signed on the date hereof on behalf of said company by authority of its governing body; and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.

NANCY COLLINS
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for St. Charles County
My Commission Expires August 02, 2012
Commission Expires August 02, 2012

Notary Public

My commission expires on 8/2/2012

Schedule A

Equipment

Ascend Performance Materials LLC

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CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to pract	ctice in the State of New York and the
District of Columbia, do hereby certify under	penalty of perjury that I have compared the
attached copy with the original thereof and ha	• •
identical in all respects to the original docum	1
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Dated. 3 10 10	
	Robert W. Alvord